

Community Solutions Program At-A-Glance

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	Focus	Project Partners	Role of Older Adults
Baltimore Community Foundation	Neighborhood vitality		
	Improve quality of life in six neighborhoods	Community-based organizations, Temple University, Center for Intergenerational Learning, University of Maryland (Baltimore), volunteer management organizations, health care and financial services institutions, other funders	Older adults will be matched with local organizations to engage in neighborhood service; youth will also be involved via multi-generational programs that promote inclusiveness.
California Community Foundation	Immigrant engagement		
	Increase adult Spanish literacy in metro LA	Centro Latino for Literacy	Older adults will be community advocates who connect residents to available literacy resources.
	Promote heart healthy foods in Filipino restaurants in metro LA	Filipino American Service Group	Older adults will lead a multi-generational consumer education and advocacy campaign.
	Increase access to services and reduce isolation for Iranians in San Fernando Valley	Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles	Older adults will be trained to support Iranian immigrants via a network of service providers.
Grand Rapids Community Foundation	Homelessness		
	Support nonprofits in ending homelessness in Grand Rapids	Local Habitat for Humanity and United Way, Grand Valley State University Johnson Center, Local housing partnerships and organizations	Older adults will be connected with nonprofit organizations to participate in a range of housing programs, and grow as community advocates.
Maine Community Foundation	Smart growth/environmental stewardship		
	Promote and implement smart growth projects statewide	University of Maine Center on Aging, organizations working in aging, volunteer management and the environment, and other funders	Older adults will introduce smart growth principles in their communities—focusing on community planning and decision making, and raising awareness of the link between environmental and public health.
New York Community Trust	Healthy communities through healthy food		
	Increase access to and use of fresh food in low-income communities in New York City	Local business development corporation, community center and local nursing home/geriatric care center	Older adults will participate in and lead efforts to develop community-based health and nutrition education.
Northland Foundation (Minn.)	At-risk youth		
	Implement intergenerational activities to help young people at ten rural sites (including three Indian reservations) in a five-county region achieve their potential	Host agencies and community members of all ages in each of the 10 sites, other funders, and advisory committee members	Older adults will be connected with children and youth to develop locally-driven civic engagement programs; these intergenerational relationships will involve a cross-section of local people.
The Oregon Community Foundation	Early childhood outcomes		
	Nurture and educate children birth through age five statewide	Oregon Volunteers (Oregon Commission for Voluntary Action and Service), other funders	Older adults will work with young children and their parents through early childhood care and education programs.
Rochester Area Community Foundation	At-risk youth		
	Improve academic performance of urban youth via mentoring program in the city of Rochester	Community-based organizations, Rochester City School District, City of Rochester (Mayor's office)	Older adults will be mentors for students in urban schools.
Rose Community Foundation	Civic engagement and health care		
	Improve access to health through community-based efforts in the city of Denver	University of Colorado, Colorado Patient Navigator Program, health care and nonprofit development organizations	Older adults will be health navigators; this is a new role in the local health ecosystem that will facilitate easy access to the right medical resources for Denver's aging population.